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For: COMPOSITION AND METHOD FOR FLOCKING OF BISCUITS AND OTHER FOOD PRODUCTS

VERIFIED STATEMENT (DECLARATION) CLAIMING SMALL ENTITY STATUS
(37 CFR 1.9(f) and 1.27(b)) - INDEPENDENT INVENTOR

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described in

- ☐ the specification filed herewith
☒ application serial no. PCT/FR97/01485, filed August 12, 1997
☐ patent no. _____, issued

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Attorney Docket RICHE 4827.01DECLARATION FOR UNITED STATES PATENT APPLICATION,
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the specification of which

☐ is attached hereto.

☐ was filed on _____ as Application No. _____ and was amended on _____ [if applicable].

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Serial No. PCT/FR97/01485 United States of America being designated.

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Prior Foreign Application(s)			Priority Claimed
Number	Country	Date Filed	Yes No
96/10268	France	August 14, 1996	Yes

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